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A Message from Marina

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Dear Neighbors,

Spring is finally here! I can't wait to see you out in our neighborhood at the farmers market or Chill on the Hill!

I've been busy at the County Board working to keep the successful Winter Farmers Market at the Domes and also making sure our major work with MMSD in Pulaski Park moves forward.

We were just sworn in for another term on the County Board and I'm excited to continue to work for you. It's an honor to represent you and I thank you for re-electing me to do so.

I was out and about in our community walking in solidarity during the Day Without Latinos and also attending the annual dinner for our Bay View Historical Society.

As always, please contact my office with any questions or suggestions on how County government can better serve you.

Marina Dimitrijevic

Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

County Supervisor, District 4

Proudly Representing Milwaukee's Bay View and South Side
Neighborhoods

SAVE THE DATE:

June 2: Bay View Plant Sale at South Shore Park from 8 AM — 1 PM

June 5: First Chill on the Hill at Humboldt Park from 6:30 — 8 PM

June 16: First South Shore Farmers Market from 8 AM — 12 PM

August 18: Indiafest at Humboldt Park from 11 AM — 9 PM

Every Wednesday from May until September: Free music at South Shore Terrace from 5 — 8PM



Milwaukee County News Updates

Supervisor Dimitrijevic Supports Winter Farmers Market at the Domes

Milwaukee County Board leaders are asking the Parks Department to rescind its decision to boot the Milwaukee Winter Farmers Market out of the greenhouse annex at the Mitchell Park Domes after a five-year run.

Board Chairman Theodore Lipscomb, Sr. and Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic want the department to continue renting the annex to the market on Saturdays from November through April. The popular market has operated there since 2013.

The department notified the market in March that it was going in a different direction and decided to make the large space available on those Saturdays for other private and public events under its catering partnership with Zilli Hospitality Group.



"The administration's seemingly profit-driven decision to cancel the public farmers market in favor of private events is shortsighted and lacks a broader public vision that benefits our diverse community," Lipscomb said. "Thanks to the farmers market, thousands of visitors spend their money here and enjoy an amenity within our Milwaukee County park system."

On Tuesday, the Parks, Energy and Environment Committee approved a resolution urging the Parks Department to continue the county's partnership with the Milwaukee Winter Farmers Market by negotiating a new lease with the Fondy Food Center.

Dimitrijevic, a former board chair, said south side neighborhoods near the Domes lacked access in winter to affordable fresh fruit and vegetables. Dimitrijevic said she supported the committee resolution. "The Winter Farmers Market at the Domes provides opportunities for our diverse community to escape the cold while eating healthier and supporting local businesses," Dimitrijevic said.

An average of 1,784 people on Saturdays shopped the indoor winter market, for a total of 41,040, during the 2017-'18 season that ended April 14, said Fondy Food Center Executive Director Jennifer Casey. Fondy Food manages the market that draws about 80 farmers and local food vendors.

The market paid \$13,200 to the county for use of the space on 23 Saturdays this past winter, Casey said. The annex is available for other events after vendors pack up by 2 p.m. on Saturdays, she said. The market could co-exist with catered events on Friday and Saturday evenings, Casey said in a letter to County Board supervisors.

In a report, Interim Parks Director Guy Smith acknowledged the department's partnership with the market has been "a great success" in increasing public awareness of the Domes greenhouse annex, expanding the market's customer base and providing a fun winter activity in the parks system.

"Despite these benefits, the event also places an inordinate burden on the county staff," the report said. "The burdens of the event have become unsustainable."

While the market pays a rent of \$600 per Saturday, the event costs the county nearly \$830, according to Smith. Simply boosting the rental fee to cover those costs to the county will not make it a sustainable event, he said in the report. Staff time committed to supporting the market is time not spent on regular park duties at the Domes, Smith said.

Smith said the county could charge higher rental rates for the annex of up to \$3,500 on Saturdays if the market was not there. The county also would collect commissions from sales of food and beverages at those events under its agreement with Zilli Hospitality Group, he said.

Click [here](#) for more information.

Concrete bed of Kinnickinnic River to be removed from Pulaski Park



Supervisor Dimitrijevic preparing to testify at the Parks, Energy and Environment Committee meeting.

The Kinnickinnic River in Pulaski Park would be set free of its deteriorated concrete channel and widened as part of ongoing flood-control activities along the river and its tributary streams, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District officials said.

Concrete removed from 1,900 feet of the river bed would be replaced with rocks to give it a more natural appearance and digging a wider channel would improve flows of floodwaters through the south side park, said Patrick Elliott, a senior project manager with MMSD. Milwaukee County owns the 26-acre park at a bend in the river west of S. 16th St and south of Windlake Ave.

The Kinnickinnic River watershed is more urbanized with impermeable surfaces than any other in Wisconsin.

During heavy rains, water flows off pavement and rooftops and drains into the river where flash floods roar down its concrete channels. Past floods attracted spec-

tators but concrete banks caused safety problems. Several drowning deaths have occurred along the river since the concrete channel was built in the early 1960s.

MMSD's flood management plan for the river's watershed includes removal of more than 6 miles of concrete-lined stream channel.

After removing the concrete stream bed at Pulaski Park, the channel would be excavated to a width of up to 200 feet from S. 16th St. upstream to the Cleveland Ave. bridge crossing, according to Elliott. From Cleveland Ave. upstream to the park's border at the Union Pacific rail line, the channel would be dug out to a width of no more than 100 feet due to deeper side slopes in that stretch of the river.

An additional \$1 million will cover restoration of park property, reconstruction of a pedestrian bridge over the river, and relocation of a playground and basketball courts displaced by channel widening. Included in the package are a few overlooks above the river along a recreational trail.

"This park is going to look new and completely different," County Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic said. "This is a partnership with MMSD and it will be a net gain for the community."

Dimitrijevic represents the neighborhood on the County Board and she successfully pushed budget amendments through the board that funded extensive renovations of a neglected park pavilion. After being closed for nearly 10 years, the 1930s-era pavilion reopened for use this month.

She expects the MMSD work and investment in new facilities, coupled with county restoration of the 5,000-square-foot pavilion, will provide the catalyst needed for a renaissance of the park and the neighborhood, Dimitrijevic said.

Esperanza Gutierrez, a neighborhood resident, said she will be happy to watch removal of the concrete channel.

"It is frequently slimy at the bottom," she said. "It's a safety hazard for children."

"The concrete looks more like a sewer than a river," said Gutierrez, a member of Kinnickinnic River Neighbors in Action.

If the County Board and MMSD commission authorize the project, final engineering designs and plans would be done by the end of the year, Elliott said. Work could be scheduled to begin in spring 2018.

Downstream of Pulaski Park, the MMSD has acquired 78 of 83 residences it targeted for removal along the river between S. 16th and S. 6th Streets as part of its flood-control plans. As of this month, 77 of the buildings have been demolished or disassembled for reuse and recycling, Elliott said.

Plans for this downstream stretch also include concrete removal and channel widening to accommodate flood flows.

Click [here](#) for more information.

Milwaukee County News Updates



BAY VIEW BEATS

★ May 2: Dean Richard • May 9: Ethan Keller • May 16: Zane Zirkle
May 23: John Stano • May 30: Zane Zirkle

Jun. 6 MC Smith & John Minard • Jun. 13: John Stano • Jun. 20: Ethan Keller
Jun. 27: MC Smith & John Minard • Jul. 11: John Stano
Jul. 18: MC Smith & John Minard • Jul. 25: Dean Richard ★

Aug. 1: Dean Richard • Aug. 8: Ethan Keller • Aug. 15: John Stano
Aug. 22: MC Smith & John Minard • Aug. 29: Dean Richard
Sep. 5 John Stano • Sep. 12: Ethan Keller • Sep. 19: Layers & Layers
Sep. 26: MC Smith & John Minard

SOUTH SHORE Terrace
KITCHEN • BEER GARDEN

Free Live Music 5-8pm Wed nights.

2018 South Shore Farmers Market

The 2018 South Shore Farmers Market will begin its 20th season on Saturday, June 16th!



Come check it out at South Shore Park every Saturday from 8 AM — 12 PM. The Market's final day of the season will be October 13th. See you there!

Here is your line up for Chill on the Hill 2018!

- June 5:** Lex Allen with Bay View and Parkside Drum Line
June 12: Bandleer Bacall and Moth Light with the Watchbirds
June 19: Mortgage Freeman and Telethon with Bum alum
June 22: Kids from Wisconsin with "Realize your Dream" Workshop ***a special Friday night edition of Chill on the Hill
June 26: Milwaukee American Legion Band
July 3: Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra
July 10: SURGEONS IN HEAT and B-Free with Amanda Huff
July 17: World Music Night—Stas Venglevski, paLABra!, and Sindoolaa
July 24: Humboldt Hustle 5K Run— The Hot and Dirty Brass Band and They GuanUs with the Milwaukee Repertory Theater Highlights from "In the Heights"
July 31: Camel Tow Truck and The Unheard of with Two and a Half Stars
August 7: Kids & Family Night—The Trojan Horses and Negative/Positive MKE with Half Glass Full
August 14: Xposed 4Heads and The Quilz with Kinsella Academy of Irish Dance
August 21: Who's Your Daddy Trio and Match Stick with Beto y Azul
August 28: Zach Pietrini and Mike Mangione & the Kin with Trapper Schoep



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Marina in the Community



Supervisor Dimitrijevic being sworn in for the 2018-2020 term by County Clerk George Christenson.



Supervisor Dimitrijevic congratulating Supervisor Nicholson on her election as 1st Vice Chair.



Supervisor Dimitrijevic welcomes Supervisor Shea to his first term on the Milwaukee County Board.



Supervisors Dimitrijevic, Nicholson and Taylor at the swearing in of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors.

Marina in the Community



Supervisors Dimitrijevic, Shea and Haas walking in the Day Without Latinos March against 287-G.



Supervisor Dimitrijevic with her son, Rafael, and Supervisor Haas at the Humboldt Park Beer Garden opening.



Supervisor Dimitrijevic with State Senator Chris Larson and State Representative Christine Sinicki at the annual dinner in support of the Bay View Historical Society.



Supervisor Dimitrijevic speaking at the ribbon cutting for Bounce Milwaukee's new solar panels and electric car.



Milwaukee County Free Days

Enjoy **FREE** admission to Milwaukee County attractions!



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Free for *all* visitors on the first Thursday of every month!

Visit the [museum web site](#) for additional information.



Thank You Thursday from 9:00 a.m - 8:00 p.m.

Kohl's Thank You Thursdays:

Free to all on the first Thursday of every month. County residents get \$2 off every day. Children 12 and under free everyday!

Visit the [museum web site](#) for additional information.



Free on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon with proof of county residence. (Excludes major holidays).

Visit the [Domes web site](#) for additional information.



2018 Free Days

Free admission for all visitors October 6, November 3, December 1.

Special Holiday Free Days

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents (requires proof of residence): Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Visit the [zoo web site](#) for additional information.



Free First Tuesdays of Every Month May-October 2018

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents with proof of residence.

Visit the [Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens Website](#) for additional information.